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The Embassy has been unable to discover any documentary reference which might serve as a basis for determining what is considered as the inland waters or the marginal sea of the Dominican Republic. Dominican naval authorities are unable to define the Republic's marginal sea more closely than those waters within the 3-mile limit established by international law; the director of the Dominican Military Geographical Institute is unable to clarify these questions or even to suggest possible lines of further investigation. The Foreign Office has not as yet replied to the Embassy's request for any information it might be able to contribute in clarification of these questions.

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